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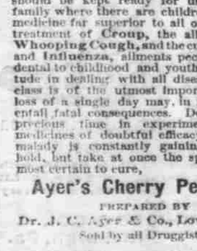

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CHAPTER I.
PHILIP BATHURST REFUSES TO SELL HIS LOVE.

A sweep of golden gorse, blended with purple heather. A fresh breeze from the uplands. A range of hills in the distance. A mile or so to the right, a fine old Elizabethan mansion, surrounded by dark firs, at the base of which stretched a lake into which the rocky land jutted, forming tiny headlands and deep-blue silent creeks. Occasionally a black-cock or some other bird would rise up from the heather and wing its way a dozen yards or so, then drop down again to earth, or at times continue its flight to the distant hills.

Beyond this no other moving object broke the landscape of moor and fell, save the figures of two men who came tramping through the heather.

The one who walked a little in advance was a tall, broad-shouldered, muscular specimen of the young English gentleman, who had never done a day's work in his life; but had gone through no end of labor in boating, shooting, and such like sports. His features were handsome and manly, his complexion becomingly bronzed, his eyes of a clear blue, giving a winning expression to the whole countenance, while glossy rings of nut-brown hair clustered round the shapely head. His attire was a remarkably well-made shooting suit, and he carried a gun over his shoulder.

His companion, apparently of his own age, was of a lower grade in society—indeed, his dress was that of a gamekeeper. A game-bag, quite empty, was slung over his shoulders, against which also rested two loaded guns. For some time there had been silence, the black-cocks had risen and flown away unchecked. Not a bang had disturbed the autumn air. It was doubtful if the foremost sportsman had even seen the birds as he strode on, one hand in the pocket of his shooting-coat, his brows contracted, and his eyes bent on the ground. He evidently was lost in deep and not quite agreeable meditation.

The other more than once had glanced in a surprised, perplexed fashion at him, then at the birds that rose almost from their very feet.

At last, unable to keep quiet longer, he remarked with a comical twinkle in his brown eyes:

"Don't you think, Mr. Phil, we should have had just as much sport if we'd left the bag and the powder and shot at home? And the guns, too, for that matter. There would have been less to carry."

Philip Bathurst burst into a merry peal of laughter.

"Right you are, Mark," he exclaimed; "the birds need not fear me much to-day. The fact is, I didn't come out to shoot, I came to think, and as we can do that as well sitting as standing, here goes."

So saying he threw himself down among the scented heather. As the gamekeeper followed his example, he said:

"I thought there was something up, Mr. Phil."

"Something up, indeed," exclaimed the young master, his gaze fixed on the mansion among the firs. "Heigho!" after a pause; "I say, Mark, how would you like to go to Australia?"

"Australia! Why, Mr. Phil, I'd go wherever you go. But it ain't likely you are going there."

"Isn't it? That's all you know about it, foster-brother Mark," retorted Philip Bathurst with an assumption of gayety. "Know that this day promises to be one of the most important in my life, that's why I came out to think; know, Mark, that before yonder jolly-faced sun sets and rises again, I—Philip Bathurst, reputed heir of his uncle, Charles Bathurst—may be a homeless, comparatively penniless wanderer."

"You, Mr. Phil; that's one of your jokes, sir."

"A joke, Mark, which I'm coming to think will turn out serious earnest. To-night may see the doors of Bathurst closed on me—I being outside, not in."

"Surely, Mr. Phil, you're mad or in love."

"Not more mad than man is generally, Mark; as to love—well—p'raps that's nearer the point. There, old fellow, don't grin. 'Pon my word, I'm not jesting; listen, and I'll tell you all about it. You're aware that Sir Kenyon McCrea has a daughter?"

"You can't be in love with her, Mr. Phil?"

"No, Mark; but my not being in love makes no difference with my uncle. He has hoarded, and saved, and made all his lifetime, and now he has set his heart on my marrying an heiress, that heiress being Miss Marian McCrea."

"And if you refuse, Mr. Phil?"

"Then I am disinherited. We near had high words about it last night, when my uncle gave me until this evening to decide. If I refuse, I am to troop bag and baggage instanter from Bathurst. Now, putting all other things aside, Mark, it is to me confoundedly derogatory for a fellow to let another choose a wife for him. To be bought, as it were. I don't like it. It's an insult to a man's liberty and independent feelings. By Jove it is."

"Still, Mr. Phil, Bathurst's Bathurst," remarked Mark, scratching his ear, "and Miss McCrea isn't so very plain."

"If she were all beauty and amiability it would make no difference."

"Ah!" remarked the foster-brother, slyly, "because, Mr. Phil, of 'the other things?'"

Philip Bathurst again made the air vibrate with his laughter.

"You're a cute fellow, Mark. But you've hit the right nail on the head. I am in love—over head and ears—up to the eyes—with an angel."

"They all are angels, Mr. Phil, till we have married them."

"Hold your tongue, Mark; you can't judge, for you didn't know an angel. The one I love there is not the slightest chance of my ever seeing again. She has vanished from me, as if, indeed, she had been ethereal instead of earthly. Or did we meet, and if my uncle keeps his word there would be just a possibility—what likelihood is there that I should find her single? Some fortunate fellow must have made her his wife long ago."

"Why, then, Mr. Phil, don't you please your uncle and marry Miss McCrea?"

"Because I hold it dishonorable to wed one girl while my heart is full of the image of another, and I can never, never forget her."

"Did she love you, Mr. Phil?"

"She said so, Mark."

"Then why did she vanish away?"

"By compulsion, Mark. I'll tell you all about it. You recollect when I went to Brighton? Well, one day during my visit as I was strolling near the pier, I heard the clatter of horses' feet behind me; knowing it to be a riding-school I did not give it my attention until I heard the people shout. I turned swiftly and perceived one of the horses had bolted with its fair rider. All the rest, not heeding the riding-master's angry protest, were screaming and galloping after her. Such a row, Mark, naturally made the horse worse. As to the poor girl, she seemed paralyzed; her veil had blown up, revealing a white, set, terrified, but oh, so lovely a face. Her eyes were fixed straight in front, until I sprang forward. Then they rested upon me, and I caught the words—words like music:

"'Oh, pray save me if you can.'

"A moment after the horse bore down on me full butt. But I was prepared. I grasped the rein close to the bit, and swung the brute round. As I did so, the girl fell off her saddle into my arms. But oh, the glance, she gave me out of her dark eyes, Mark! I was in love from that moment. I let the horse go, for the riding-master or anybody else to catch, while I supported her who I felt was my destiny. I should have liked to have supported her until now, but I was not allowed to five minutes. A lot of women came chattering round, for the girl had fainted. At the same time a carriage halted, and the lady in it, who had seen the accident, offered to drive her home. It was quite right, but I didn't thank her. I managed, however, to ascertain that she whom I had saved was a pupil at a large school in Brighton, and I need not say, Mark, I did not hurry away from that town. On the contrary I stopped. Again and again I saw her who after that one glance held such sway over me. At the school was a good-hearted housemaid, who, taking pity on me, carried my letters and brought me answers to them. Once she managed an interview for us in the school-ground. I confessed my love, I learned that my passion was returned, then our interview was cut short by a signal from the housemaid.

"We parted, Mark, and since then have never again met."

"Never, Mr. Phil? Why, that's two years ago!"

"Exactly. On returning to my hotel—the Bedford—I found a telegram awaiting me. My uncle had thrown down from his horse. The injury he had sustained was, the doctor thought, not serious, but Mr. Bathurst wanted me to come. I went, of course, writing from Bathurst to my beloved under cover to the housemaid, explaining the cause of my absence, and, giving her my address, begged her to reply. No answer, however, came. Not the first note was taken of my communication. A little over a week I was again in Brighton, haunting the school. I saw the pupils start on their daily walk, but my darling was not there. Was she ill? I laid wait for the housemaid. Again failure; she too had disappeared.

"Driven to desperation, finally I went boldly to the school, and asked for the girl-principal. Then all came out. Oh, Mark, what a row there was. Miss Dawes, a lean, long, prim woman, with curls like a front, heaped no end of ladylike abuse upon me. It seemed that something had created Miss Dawes's suspicions. She had watched, intercepted my letter, and had discovered everything. In vain I protested the honor of my intentions, my love; it but added to her wrath. I entreated an interview with her pupil. She absolutely screamed.

"'Sir,' she exclaimed, 'you have done your best to ruin the moral standing of my establishment, but, praise Heaven, circumstances have prevented your succeeding.'

"She was a wicked old woman, Mark, to say that, considering what the circumstances were.

"Well, she showed me the door, and for nearly another week I fruitlessly haunted the place, hoping to get news. Regardless of Miss Dawes's frowns, I made it a point always to meet her pupils in their walk. Among them was a dark, bright-eyed, pretty girl, who appeared a perfect repository of fun. She looked at me at first coquettishly, next curiously, next interestedly; finally, I felt sure, with meaning. I watched, hoping, and one day found her walking as demurely as a little mouse by the side of Miss Dawes at the tail of the twenty young ladies. As she saw me, however, a quick meaning glance shot from the corner of her laughing eyes, and, as rapidly slipping her hand behind her, she dropped a folded paper.

"Two minutes after, I had picked it up; before another I had read written on it:

"'SIR KNIGHT OF THE DOLEFUL COUNTENANCE:—If I am right in my surmise, you are searching for one who is no longer here. Nearly a fortnight ago she was fetched away to her father, who is dying. 18, Ladbrook-crescent, London, is not a hundred miles away from her residence. Don't betray me.'

"Hardly had I finished than the girls came marching back. My kind friend sent a glance in my direction. I let my eyes answer her, and tore up her communication after putting it to my lips, that she might see she was safe. That same evening I was in London, Mark.

"And didn't you find her, Mr. Phil?"

"No, I was too late," sighed Philip Bathurst; "I found the house shut up and to let. Inquiring, I learned that her father had died, that a week back he had been buried, and that an uncle had taken her I loved away; where, none could inform me, save that it was believed to Australia. For a month I searched and inquired with no better result, so gave up in despair."

"But why didn't the young lady write to you, Mr. Phil?"

"Because, Mark, I had never thought of giving her my address here."

"Then, it's my opinion, Mr. Phil, you'd better take Miss McCrea."

"No, Mark, never," ejaculated Philip Bathurst, springing up from the heather. "I'll not sell myself and my best affections for money! I don't like Miss McCrea, and, by Jove! I will not marry her for all the uncles in the world. If I seemed just now to hesitate, my revealing the past has decided me. Let my uncle disinherit me if he pleases.—I'll be independent; I'll work. I have strength and health—capital stock-in-trade. I'll go to Australia; I'll go to the diggings; I'll dig up a fortune, by Jove! and I'll find her I love. She is in Australia. Why, Mark, shouldn't I find her?"

"Why not, Mr. Phil? though I reckon Australia's a big place, and you ain't likely to find her at the diggings, and if you wait to do so until you've dug up a fortune she may not be very young, or she may be married when you do find her."

"Mark, for Heaven's sake don't be such a Job's comforter," exclaimed his foster-brother. He had been striding backwards and forwards through the heather, but now halted before the other. "Australia isn't like England. Besides, what obstacles will not love surmount, especially when the prize is so worth winning? Look, Mark, and judge."

Taking out his pocket-book, he produced from it a small photo vignette, and held it to his foster-brother.

"Is that her, Mr. Phil?"

"That is her, Mark. Is she not beautiful?"

"That she is, Mr. Phil."

"Now then, confess; do you blame me for living in hope, Mark—for refusing, for all Bathurst, to put an insurmountable barrier between her and myself should we ever meet, as I cannot help but feel that one day we shall?"

"By George, Mr. Phil, I'd go through fire and water for such a sweet face as that."

"And I renounce Miss McCrea and fortune. So hey for Australia, to work, and to win, and be independent."

"Hey, then it is for Australia, Mr. Phil, for where you go, I go—if you'll let me."

"Let you, Mark?" and Philip Bathurst warmly pressed his hand. "I shall be only too glad of your company, old fellow. We start with the same capital—health and courage—and we'll rise or fall together. Now, take up the guns, and back to Bathurst. In two hours, Uncle Charles must pronounce our sentence."

A month later Philip Bathurst and his foster-brother, Mark Hilton, stood on the deck of the A 1 emigrant ship Neptune, as it glided down the Mersey, outward bound for Australia.

Charles Bathurst had decided. Philip had refused to sell his right to independence and free action, and had been cast adrift.

In his hand now he held a letter. For the twentieth time he read the writing on it:

"Hear reason, and do not be an idiot. Repent before it is too late. Come back, consent to this marriage, and Bathurst is yours.
"CHARLES BATHURST."

"Do you repent, Mr. Phil?" queried Mark Hilton who had watched him.

"I, Mark? not a fraction," with a merry laugh. "I never felt so content in my life. There is my reply to Uncle Bathurst," and he scattered the fragments of paper upon the waves washing the ship's sides. "Farewell for a space to Old England," raising his hat; "henceforth our eyes and thoughts are bent southward to Australia—the bush and the fortune that there awaits us."

"Or the misfortune," laughed Mark.

"So be it. One or the other. We'll meet it bravely."

CHAPTER II.
SHADY CREEK STATION.

It was spring time in Australia. All vegetation was beginning to burst forth in green apparel of many hues. Dust storms, parched lands, dried up rivers, and gullies rent by large fissures, were things of the future.

A cool south breeze blew across the distant ranges; the first wild flowers were visible in the bush, and the hum of waking life began to rise from Shady Creek Station, standing alone in the picturesque Australian wilderness.

First there was the lowing of cattle eager to escape from the stockyard, then the bark of dogs, blended with men's voices and the sharp crack of the long stock-whip.

As time went on the glass doors on to the verandah were thrown open. A tall, well-looking, middle-aged man of military appearance, in light overcoat and broad planter's hat emerged and strolled round to the outbuildings.—Soon after another personage appeared—a young girl of about nineteen. Her step was elastic, her figure tall, and graceful as a willow wand. The morning dress she wore was composed of some light, simple material, fitting easily to her shape, while a round straw hat, resting upon a rich mass of looped and braided golden hair, shadowed a face as sweet in expression as it was lovely in feature. A color as delicate as the wild rose tinged her cheek, her large, deep-violet eyes shone through the long fringe of lashes, while the small red lips were just sufficiently parted to admit of their owner humming an aria from Rigoletto. At her side marched, with stately pride, a splendid colley. She carried a basket and pair of scissors, and flitted about the several flower beds gathering the blossoms where they showed.

It took some while before the basket was sufficiently stocked, then the girl returned to the verandah, and entered a room nicely furnished, where breakfast was laid, and presided over by an elderly lady of somewhat prim and precise aspect.

"Been robbing the flower-beds, Flo," she inquired.

"Well, auntie, if robbers were judged by the value robbed," laughed the girl gaily, "my theft this morning would not be very great. The flowers are very late this year."

"Or you are very impatient. Better have left them where they were; they'll die in a day in that vase."

"Not so soon as that, auntie, I hope. If so, there will be more out to-morrow to renew them, and it's so nice to have flowers in the room. Uncle always likes them."

"So does Herbert Archer; at least I heard him say so when he was last here. By the way, Flo, isn't he coming to-day?"

"So uncle said, that he meant to ride over to look at the new cattle, But," with a pretty toss of the graceful head, "don't imagine, auntie, I have robbed the garden for his pleasure."

"I wish I could imagine so, Flo; he loves you sincerely."

"Then, auntie, he is wise enough, seeing I do not love him, to keep silent on the point."

"But why can't you love him? What objection can you have to the young fellow?"

"I have no objection. He is very pleasant and agreeable."

"And would make an excellent husband."

"I have not the least doubt of it, auntie; only, you see, I don't want to try the experiment."

"More silly child you. He is handsome and very well-to-do, and you should think of settling. Most girls would, but—I can't make you out, Flo. If you loved anybody else, it would be a different thing."

"Ah, if—those provoking ifs," laughed the girl, but as she stooped lower over the flowers her cheek had a deeper hue. "But there's no one here I could love, is there, without it was Steele Boyne, the stockman; or old Jeck, the native Australian; or——"

"How can you be so absurd, Flo? Let me tell you the subject is not one to jest upon. If you are so hard to suit, you'll just die an old maid."

"Better that, auntie, than to marry some one I don't love. Then gravely: "Auntie, don't be offended; I'm not jesting, really, but I don't want to marry—I don't think I ever shall. There, dear, give me a kiss, and don't let Herbert Archer make us ill friends. Perhaps, when the right man comes, I'll say yes, but don't ask me to until then."

Stooping, she pressed her soft, warm lips to the old lady's cheek, then ran from the room to fill the vase with water.

"I can't make that girl out," murmured Mrs. Crane; "I feel almost certain there were tears in her eyes. Well, it's a pity. Young Archer would be such an excellent match, and he adores the ground she treads."

"Who treads, Kate? Whatever are you muttering about, eh?" And Colonel Grainger—he in the light coat and planter's hat—entered from the verandah.

"That Flo treads, brother. I have been speaking to her about young Archer; but no, not a word will she have to say to him."

"Leave the girl alone, Kate," remarked the colonel, as he drew his chair to the table. "If she don't love, why on earth should she marry him? Besides, where's the hurry? She is not twenty yet, and I, for one, am in no hurry to lose her. I should have no objection to her marrying Archer, but be sure matters will run smoother if we do not meddle. A cup of coffee, Kate."

Meanwhile Flo had run to her own room. Mrs. Crane had been correct, there were tears in her eyes; but she dashed them away as she reflected: "Auntie is right. Why should I not marry Herbert Archer? Because I'm stupid and foolish. Because I can't forget the past. As if he ever remembers me! It is not likely. Had he, never would he have been silent. Not a word from him since I saw him in the grounds. In all my grief and trouble through the loss of dear papa, not a word of kindness, of sympathy. He might have written, for I left my address with Susan for him. No, he was proud to win my love—men are flirts as much as women—and once assured of it he was content, and went to woo others. Oh, it's shameful."

And Flo's cheek flushed as she paced her pretty room.

"I never would have believed it of him, though. He was so handsome, so honest, and—truthful-looking. No, I can't believe it. Still what matters, it isn't likely we shall ever meet again, and it's foolish of me not to be able to—to forget him. There, from this moment, I'll try—I will, I will, I will. I'll marry Herbert, which will delight both uncle and auntie. And then, a wife with a home of my own, I must not remember Philip. No, I'll forget him as he has long, long forgotten me, and to make it easier I'll not keep anything that reminds me of him."

While speaking she had unlocked her desk and taken from it a small gem ring and a sprig of withered heather.

"I'll lose the ring in the bush, for I couldn't bear to give it away, and—and there goes the heather."

She made to throw it out of the window, but the hand refused to obey the will.

"Forget him! It's no good, I can't, I can't. Oh, Philip, Philip!" And bending low, she pressed the mementoes of that sweet first love to her lips. Her uncle's voice calling aroused her. Hastily she returned the ring and heather to the desk, smoothed her hair, and ran down stairs.

As she entered the room there was the quick tread of horse's hoofs along the road. The colonel, rising, stepped into the verandah.

"It's Archer," he said. "His visit is early. Make some hotter coffee, Kate. After his ride he'll not mind a second breakfast."

Quitting the verandah he soon returned with his guest.

It was a young man of about eight-and-twenty, of middle height, and of slender frame, the lithesomeness of which was apparent, despite the rough servicable squatter's suit he wore. His features were regular and handsome, his complexion, though brown from that exposure to the sun hardly darkened. His hair, like his long moustache, was of a glossy black, while his eyes, large and of the same color, possessed a singular brilliance, such as is observed at times in an animal's.

His expression was full of energy and resolve—that of a man who admitted no failure. He had landed in the new world when the gold fever was at its height. Had had a lucky find, with which he had turned squatter. All he had put his hand to had thriven. No obstacle had occurred to arouse the evil side of Herbert Archer's character—for there was an evil side—until a year previously he had made the acquaintance of Steele Grainger, and seen Florence; from that instant he was in love, and, as was his nature, threw himself heart and soul into his passion.

Well-to-do, a gentleman, no man near his equal, he had little fear of failure, but his assurance grew less as he knew more of Flo. Something in her manner ever kept him from making his declaration, and only the knowledge, easily ascertained from the colonel's sister, that he had no rival, kept him patient—that is, outwardly.

On this morning, however, he had ridden over to Shady Creek, ostensibly to look at a new purchase of cattle of the colonel's, but really to learn his fate.

"And how can it be other than as I wish it," he had reflected as he rode.—"Is she not kindness itself? Does she not ever show pleasure in my society, sing the songs I like, or play the pieces I desire? Nonsense, my heart has no need to beat so nervously. Had I a difficulty would be different—different and dangerous, especially for him," and the long slender hands clenched, the red light shone in the dark eyes. "But I have none. Who could rival me out here? Besides, have I not said that Florence Grainger shall be my wife, and that of no other man, and never yet have I been balked in that upon which I have set my mind."

Such had been Herbert Archer's thoughts as he rode to Shady Creek through the sweet spring morning. But as he entered the room with the colonel the set expression died out of his countenance, giving place to one of gentleness as his gaze rested upon Flo.

There must have been something more than gentleness in it—something that startled the girl—something vague, undefined, yet like a presentiment of coming trouble. For the first time her color rose, and her eyes fell beneath his glance; she felt constrained and restless in his presence.

As soon as she was able she quitted the table, and occupied herself at her work-basket. Whenever she lifted her eyes she found those of Herbert Archer upon her. What was there in their dark, brilliant depths that made her breath come quickly as one in fear?

To her relief the colonel soon arose, saying:

"Now, Archer, my boy, let us go to the cattle. You'll confess, I am sure, I've made a good bargain. Of course you will dine here."

"I fear not," was the reply; "my stay, indeed, cannot exceed an hour or so, colonel."

"I'm sorry, but business before pleasure, my boy. That motto builds up fortunes. Well, the cattle will not take long; then Flo, no doubt, will show you the alterations she has been making in her garden."

The last sentence was spoken outside on the verandah.

Flo was not compelled to hear; she determined not to, but directly they had gone and her aunt had left to superintend some household duties, she sprang upstairs, put on her riding-habit, then slipped round to the stable where old Jeck was dozing in the sun.

"Jeck," she said, "the morning is so fine that I want a spin in the bush. Saddle your horse and mine as quickly as you can, there's a good Jeck."

"Yes, missie; Jeck very quick; he no sleep ever over missie's orders."

"Thank you, Jeck; when they are ready, bring them down to the road by the Seven Trees. If anyone asks you where I am going, say—say, I shall be back in half an hour."

"Yes, missie; Jeck know."

"I never felt like this before," reflected Flo, as she hastened to the trees named. "If Herbert thinks of proposing, why cannot I wait and refuse him, as I must? Why do I tremble and feel so nervous? Is it because of my remembrance of Philip this morning? Is it because I know I shall pain auntie? Is it because I do not know my own mind? No, it's not that. I don't know what it is, only that I don't want Herbert to propose to-day. I am weak and nervous, and fear him."

Just then Jeck came cantering up, leading a horse and riding the other. A moment later Flo was in the saddle and galloping down the road. At that moment Herbert Archer happened to be looking in that direction. The cattle had been seen, the colonel was giving some orders to the stockman. Herbert Archer did not hesitate nor lose a moment, he hastened to the stable, saddled his horse, and telling a stable hand that he was going to accompany Miss Grainger in her ride, started in pursuit.

He resolved not to lose the opportunity thus afforded him to speak to Flo alone, for he reckoned old Jeck as nobody. He had noted the direction the girl had taken, and knew a short cut by which he could readily overtake her.

It was to be an eventful day, indeed, to more than him, and even to more than Flo.

[To be Continued.]

MONTANA WOMEN.

Smart Girls who Are Quite Able to Take Care of Themselves.

Miss Jennie Corson, who is known throughout the country as the "shepherdess of the West," came to Montana some years ago, and took up a sheep ranch in Meagher county. She did it all alone and unaided. After awhile she sent for her lazy brother from Chicago, and made him overseer of her flocks. Matters went well with her, and soon she had a fine band of sheep, and as valuable ranch property as there is in Montana. She took up some land under one and another of the government acts, proved up on time, and became a landed proprietor. Now, it happened that the next claim to her own was taken up by an enterprising young man named Severance, who, like his fair neighbor, first started a sheep ranch, and then got hold of some of the soil. They tended flocks in company for some time, and then Severance proposed marriage. He was accepted, and the two united their fortunes and have been doing better and better ever since.

There are other girls in Montana, says a correspondent of the Cleveland Leader, just exactly like Mrs. Severance, nee Corson, but more are wanted. There are some real old ladies out here who have taken up claims, who run a dairy or keep store, but who are a little too aged to think of matrimony. One dame of this description has a ranch store out on the prairie near Livingstone, rides a horse and shoots like a man, keeps a postoffice and is the owner of 160 acres, lately the property of Uncle Sam. Another lady living on Boulder creek, named Sarah Davidson, shot a bear in January last, and with the bounty received for it, as well as the sale of the meat and hide, she paid for a sewing machine.

A curious reversal of the eternal fitness of things is seen in the fact that there are in all the States of our Union 308,478 more women than men. Dakota has 20,415 more men than women, and Montana is about on a par with Dakota in that respect. "Hope" should, therefore, "spring eternal in the female breast," for there is somewhere in Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington or Oregon a manly heart awaiting every husbandless female now pining away in single blessedness in the East. Helena has a superintendent of schools who has Indian blood in her veins and who is highly educated. She has also marked dramatic talent, and plays Charlotte Cushman's roles.

The women of this northwestern country are endowed with plenty of pluck an' grit. One evening lately, a herd of Arizonia goats, which are being herded by Miss Teresa Talbert, on Lost river, came home early and rushed for the corral, a heavy log concern, eight feet high. The gates were opened and the herd let in after which the little lady, dashing over the prairie, mounted on her fiery broncho, secured the foothills, but found no cause for alarm.

In the night Miss Talbert was aroused by her dog whining at her ear, and, getting up, discovered a wild animals in the corral. She went in and found four mountain lions, and without a moment's hesitation attacked them with an axe. Two of the lions jumped the corral and fled. The other two rushed toward her. She dealt one a blow with the axe, laying its rump open to the bone; then both fled. The next morning fifty of the valuable goats were found dead and thirty wounded, fourteen of the latter dying afterwards.

A mountain lion attacked the cattle of Ben Mason on Powder river only last Sunday, and killed two heifers and a cow. Mr. Mason was absent at the time, but his wife took up arms against the beast, followed him through the snow for some distance, overtook and shot him. J. W. Proctor of Billings, had occasion to visit the ranch of Tom Wadsworth on the Musselshell last week. Wadsworth has a band of several hundred of the finest horses there are on the north side of the Yellowstone river and has also a wife who is an expert horsewoman. Mrs. Wadsworth is not only an accomplished rider, but, as a huntress, can take the laurels from the Marquis de Mores, Lady Florence Dixie, and all the other ladies who make pretensions in that direction. Mrs. Wadsworth chases antelope on horseback, shoots them down while going at full gallop, and in fact, combines the arts of civilization with the skill of the aborigine. Now, Proctor is a crack shot, with somewhat of a reputation to back him up, and he was rather astonished and taken aback when Mrs. Wadsworth challenged him to a shooting match. They sat up a target, and Proctor was beaten fairly, Mrs. Wadsworth making the top score.

After this unexpected defeat Proctor headed up Goulding Creek for Bull Mountains, and, when he supposed he was the only white man in that region, came to another ranch hid away among the mountains, from which rushed away about two hundred of as sleek-looking cattle as one could wish to see. When approaching the ranch Proctor met a young lady all alone on horseback coming down a rocky mountains path, whom he describes as the incarnation of etherial beauty. After some talk about the weather and stock he was invited to partake of her hospitality, which he accepted gracefully. Proctor did not know who his fair entertainer was but everybody in this section known her to be a young shepherdess named Nina Ronan, who is ranching it all alone among the mountains. Proctor christened her the "Belle of Bull Mountains."

In the western part of Montana among the mining camps, there are also some strange characters seen once in awhile. In the camp at Yogo a colored woman named Millie Ringgold has quite a reputation as a prospector. She spends most of her time in the mountains, and handles the pick and shovel with as much vigor and dexterity as a man. She was the pioneer woman of Yogo, and ran the first

Cambria Freeman.

EBENSBURG, PA.,

FRIDAY, - - - - APRIL 23, 1886.

CHOLERA of the genuine Asiatic type has broken out at Brindisi, in Italy, and quite a number of deaths have occurred, causing great apprehension that the dreadful disease will take up its triumphant march into Austria, France and England.

THE railway route over which the Emperor of Russia recently traveled to his distant province on the Black Sea, the Crimea, was guarded along the entire line by one hundred thousand men. These are the modern divinities that hedge a King.

THE Republican State Committee at its meeting in Philadelphia last week, fixed upon Harrisburg as the place and Wednesday, the 30th of June, as the time for holding the State Convention. The Democratic State Convention will meet at Harrisburg on Wednesday, August 18th.

ON last Monday there arrived at New York on the steamer Arizona a large Irish harp, packed in a huge wooden box seven feet high, which is intended for exhibition at an Irish concert soon to be given for the benefit of the Parnell fund. The harp is several hundred years old, and was the last instrument played in Tara's halls before the Irish Kings. It is valued at $5,000.

THE thanks of the country are due to Congressman Oates, of Alabama, who had the courage to oppose the proposition to use the public money for the relief of the people in his State who suffered from the recent floods. Such appropriations are unconstitutional, and although it would have made him popular at home to have supported the measure, yet he declined the popularity that would be gained by doing a wrong act.

ACCORDING to the latest and most reliable reports from Kansas the wheat crop in that State will be a comparative failure, and will not amount to more than two-thirds of the yield in former years when the crop was an average one. Similar reports come from Michigan. With these two exceptions the crop in the other wheat-growing States in the West and Southwest is represented as being in excellent condition.

THE date of the second reading of Mr. Gladstone's Home Rule bill for Ireland has been postponed until Monday, May 10, when the real and decisive debate on the measure will take place which will decide its fate, and either continue Mr. Gladstone in power or compel him and his colleagues in the Cabinet to resign their offices. A wide difference of opinion prevails in London regarding the final result.

WE knew it was coming and we had a suspicion that Senator Logan would be its mouthpiece. This latter misfit statesman declares that "all the present trouble in the business of the country and all the dissatisfaction among the laboring classes were directly traceable to the fact that the Democratic party controlled the reins of the government." The Senator does not use the full wealth of his ammunition. There were some disastrous riots in Belgium and earthquake shocks in the Sandwich Islands that might have been charged to baleful Democratic influences

JOHN SHERMAN, of Ohio, introduced a bill into the Senate last week to pay William T. Crump $5,000 as a compensation for injuries received while nursing President Garfield. Precisely how Crump was injured is not stated, and even if it was it is no reason why the government should indemnify him. The general allegation is made that his health was seriously impaired by the constant nursing of the ex-President. Admitting this to be true, the question is who is his debtor, the government or Mrs. Garfield? She is abundantly able to foot the bill and would never feel the loss. If Congress allows this claim it will be regarded as a precedent in the future, and there will be no end to the bills that will be filed against the government by persons who happen to be employed at the White House when a President dies. If Mrs. Garfield won't pay Crump, then John Sherman himself ought to pay him. The man whom Crump nursed made Sherman Secretary of the Treasury, and it is not very extensively believed that he lost anything during his four years tenure of the office.

FRANK HURD'S claim to a seat in Congress from the Tenth Ohio district was finally decided against him on Wednesday of last week, by a vote of 105 in his favor to 168 in the negative. This result took place in a Democratic House against one of the most prominent and distinguished Democrats in the country, which is a most notable thing, and one that we do not remember ever happened to a Republican in a Republican House. When Thaddeus Stevens held the lash over a Republican House the contest for a seat was always decided in favor of the man who belonged to the dominant party and not upon the merits of the case, the turning out of his seat of that battle-scarred hero, General Shields, although indisputably elected, being the most conspicuous of Stevens' performances in that line. The unseating of Henry D. Foster, of the Westmoreland district in this State, in favor of John Covode, was only a little less in its downright injustice. More than forty Democrats voted against giving the seat to Hurd, and they did so on the simple ground that Hurd had failed to satisfy the committee that he had received more votes than his opponent, Romeis. Hurd's friends in the district express their determination to nominate him again next fall and send him back to Washington with such a majority as will convince Congress that the popular voice of Maumee country is largely in his favor.

GOVERNOR PATTISON on yesterday week addressed a lengthy communication to Attorney General Cassidy embodying the results of his investigation in regard to the shameless mismanagement of the Soldiers' Orphans' Schools. In concluding his letter to Mr. Cassidy, which is too long for publication in our paper, the Governor requests him "to exhaust all the power of your (his) Department to punish those who have made themselves amenable to the criminal law, to enforce the rights of the State against those who have defrauded her and to recover some of their ill-gotten gains, if possible, from those who have grown rich by dishonest dealings with the State." On the same day the Governor dismissed Rev. J. W. Sayers and Mrs. Hutter, Inspectors of the schools, and also in a sharp letter to Rev. E. E. Higbee requested that well known and distinguished gentleman to favor him with his resignation as Superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphans' Schools. The Governor can't remove Higbee, inasmuch as he is a Constitutional officer, and he exhausted his power over him by asking him to resign. Higbee, however, has no notion of resigning an office which yielded him last year $6,250 as follows: $2,500 as Superintendent of Public Instruction; $1,250 as Superintendent of Soldiers' Orphans' Schools, and $2,500 for distributing the *School Journal*. The only way in which he can be retired to private life is by an impeachment by the lower branch of the Legislature. Gen. Lewis Wagner, of Philadelphia, has been appointed Inspector by the Governor, and he has consented to serve without pay until the Governor can find some other person to take his place, as his health will not justify him in holding the position permanently.

IN pursuance of the resolution offered in Congress by Ex-Governor Curtin, which passed that body two weeks ago, for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the causes of the labor difficulties on the Southwestern railroads, the Speaker, Mr. Carlisle, last week named the following gentlemen as the committee: Curtin, of Pennsylvania; Crain, of Texas; Outhwaite, of Ohio; Stewart, of Vermont; Parker, of New York; Buchanan, of New Jersey, and Barnes, of Missouri. A leading Knight of Labor, who was at Washington urging the passage of the resolution, said after the announcement of the committee, that with the exception of Governor Curtin and Mr. Crain, of Texas, the composition of the committee is unfavorable to the workingmen, there being too many champions of railroad corporations among its members. Assuming this to be true we have no doubt that Messrs. Curtin and Crain will see to it that all the facts in regard to the origin of the trouble are elicited, no matter whom they affect, and that they will be fully embodied in the report which the committee will make to the House for whatever action it may take. All that Congress wants is the facts, and any whitewashing report will meet with prompt public condemnation. After the committee has examined Mr. Powderly Jay Gould and some others at Washington, it will proceed to St. Louis.

"SOME of our Irish-American citizens," says the Pittsburg *Post*, "are manifesting better judgment and infinitely more common sense in dealing with the Home Rule issue on this side of the water than are certain Americans to the manner born. The Rochester (N. Y.) *Union*, whose editor is an Irish-American and a strong advocate of Home Rule for Ireland, criticises unfavorably the action of the State Legislature in passing resolutions of sympathy with Parnell and Gladstone and the attempt to have similar resolutions passed in the House of Representatives.—'Nothing,' says the *Union*, 'could be better calculated to embarrass both Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Parnell at this moment than ill-advised expression from official bodies, whether of government or of private organization that may be readily cabled over to London to inflame the English mind and further excite the English prejudice.' We are inclined to agree with the position taken by the *Union*. The opposition to Gladstone can point to these resolutions as proof that Irish-Americans are clamoring for the establishment of Home Rule—a consideration which will not help the measure in the minds of a certain class of Englishmen, whose support the Premier cannot dispense with. At any rate, Parnell's habitual reticence may be safely imitated by his friends on this side of the Atlantic."

IF Mr. Cleveland marries Miss Folsom, of Buffalo, sometime next June, as it is now believed he intends doing, James Buchanan will be the only bachelor President that the country has ever had. There have been four Presidents who were widowers at the time of their inauguration—Jefferson, Jackson, Van Buren and Arthur, and sixteen were married men when they entered the White House. John Tyler is the only President who ever married while holding the office. This took place in June, 1844, the bride being Miss Juliet Gardiner, of New York. The ceremony was performed at the Church of the Ascension, in that city, and not at the White House. There are four widows of Presidents living—Mrs. Tyler, Mrs. Polk, Mrs. Garfield and Mrs. Grant, each of whom receives a yearly pension of five thousand dollars.

THE nature and extent of Mr. Tilden's physical infirmities have been a subject of newspaper controversy for many years. In a suit before the United States Circuit Court in New York last week, in which he was called as a witness, he testified in regard to his health as follows: "I have an affection of the larynx which so impairs the elasticity of the vocal cords that they will not come together, and air passes through without helping to form sounds and so reduces me to a whisper. There is no soreness nor apparent disease, but only a loss of elasticity that makes me talk with great difficulty and generally in a whisper, excepting when I have a cold, under which the cords approach each other better."

DEATH AND RUIN.

Terrible Work of the Cyclone in Minnesota.

ST. CLOUD, Minn., April 15.—This city has been visited with a calamity, the ghastly details of which have never been equalled since the harvest of death at New Ulm and Rochester a few years ago, and the community is groaning and wailing under a pall of grief that is intensified as each hour brings to light fresh evidences of the terrible work of the elements. When the sun rose on this city yesterday morning, happiness reigned in every family and their peace was not marred by any shadow of the terrible gloom that settled down on the community before the sun had sunk to rest. A few minutes after four o'clock the skies became overcast with a dark cloud, and a great black mass rose over the hills southwest of the city and came with terrible velocity toward the western outskirts, in a direct line for the Mantoba freight yards. The clouds hung low and rolled over and over like smoke over a battle field, and were accompanied by a loud roaring and cracking sound that resembled a conflagration in its fury. The cloud was funnel-shaped and the tail dragged along the ground like a huge aerial beast, lashing everything that came in its way into atoms. Citizens had hardly time to flee to their cellars and other places of refuge before the whirlwind was on them and the air was filled with flying boards, shingles, bricks, and other debris, that was strewn over the country and piled in promiscuous heaps.

The portion of St. Cloud struck by the cyclone was the southwestern, and was the resident portion occupied by the laboring class of the people, a majority of them being foreigners employed on the railroads. Their dwellings were light-built houses and became an easy prey to the monster that had pounced upon them. They were little cockle-shells in the grip of the whirlwind, and were picked up and tossed into the air and torn into a thousand pieces, and scattered to the four winds of heaven. The earth was torn up in the path of the cyclone and the line over which it passed to a width of nearly a quarter of a mile, and looks as though it had been upheaved by a terrific volcanic eruption. It had hardly begun its terrible work before it was finished, and the scene that greeted the eyes of those who had escaped its fury was one that caused the stoutest heart to shudder. Cries and shrieks of wounded rent the air, and the ground was strewn with the dead bodies of men, women and children.

SEARCHING FOR THE VICTIMS.

Citizens almost to a man rushed to the demolished houses, and summoning physicians, began their work of rescuing those who were still living from the piles of dirt and fallen buildings. Brainard was promptly telegraphed to for medical help, and she immediately responded by sending a dozen physicians and surgeons by special train, but it was late in the evening when they arrived on the scene. St. Paul and Minneapolis were also appealed to, and a special train was sent out with twenty-three surgeons and physicians, for the scene of the disaster. On the ground the scene was a ghastly one. The rain poured down in torrents, and hundreds of men wandered over the ground, many of them carrying lanterns, looking for bodies among the ruins. The hotel lobbies were filled with excited citizens, many of whom suspected that some portion of their families or their friends had fallen victims to the terrible disaster. Women, seemingly unconscious of the rain that was falling, ran through the streets sobbing and moaning in their fright.

It was 8:30 in the evening when the special car arrived from St. Paul and Minneapolis. The run was made in two hours, through a terrible thunderstorm. On the arrival of the train arrangements were made to relieve as much as possible the sufferings of the wounded and care for the bodies of the dead, which were taken to the Little Giant engine house and laid out on the floor, while the wounded were taken to St. Benedict Hospital, where they were promptly cared for by a corps of physicians and nurses, among whom were several ladies who had volunteered their services. There were twenty-eight wounded stretched out on cots in the various wards, and every facility of the hospital was tested to its utmost capacity to meet the requirements.

THE SCENE IN THE HOSPITAL

was heartrending. Men, women and children lay in broken shapes, bathed in their own blood, and faces blackened and grimy, and arms and legs broken, and scalps torn and bodies lacerated. The scene at the engine house was more horrible. Eighteen lifeless bodies were stretched on the floor in two rows, draped in sheets and blankets, while around and among them moved men with lanterns, uncovering faces and trying to recognize in the distorted features some familiar line in which they might trace relationship. The bodies presented a terrible spectacle. The clothes they had worn were torn in to shreds, their faces were black with dust, and gravel was ground into the cheeks, while the scalps were torn and blood still flowed from sapping wounds and covered the floor. Skulls were crushed, eyes torn from their sockets and tongues protruded from between lips and were cruelly cut and mutilated.

THE RUINS AT ST. CLOUD.

ST. CLOUD, Minn., April 15.—The work of devastation in the district visited by the cyclone is complete, as the scattered fragments of what once were houses testify. The scene to-day was one to appall the strongest hearted. For a width of 600 feet the tornado had leveled almost everything before it. An occasional building partly wrecked was left to tell tell the tale, as if by contrast with the ruins to be seen on every side. It is estimated that 400 structures were blown down, all of frame and not costly.

The small residences were mostly occupied by foreigners, whose names it has been impossible to ascertain with any degree of accuracy.

In the Catholic hospital there are about forty wounded, but only five or six of them are considered to be in a dangerous condition. The loss will not go over $60,000. The force of the storm was such as to wrench off the door of the safe in the post office and carry it some distance from the building. The church bell weighing 1,500 pounds was found among the debris 400 feet from any building. The remains of the dead are almost unrecognizable, being completely crushed and blackened. There are a remarkable number injured about the hips and spine. Many of the survivors will be disabled for life.

DREADFUL DEVASTATION AT SAUK RAPIDS.

SAUK RAPIDS, Minn., April 15.—The devastation caused by the cyclone yesterday is terrible. Not a single business house is left standing on the main streets, and many residences are demolished. The wind came from the southwest and swept everything before it for a space of four blocks. The storm cloud was as black as night, with bright, clear sky on either side. The court house is now a heap of ruins, and several of the county officers are killed. The Union school house, the Presbyterian and Congregational churches, the postoffice, flour mill, and a large machine shop, were all converted into kindling wood in less time than it takes to tell it. What was the centre of the town in now covered with all sorts of debris, timber, pieces of furniture, etc. Only the City Hotel remains intact. The Northern Pacific depot was literally blown away, and a large number of freight cars overturned upon the tracks.

At the present time twenty-two dead bodies have been recovered from the ruins, and a large number of people are injured. The bodies are laid out in the nearest houses left standing, and several half demolished buildings are made to serve the purpose of a morgue. The spectacle is a sad one, the living being deprived not only of their friends, but of all earthly possessions at the same time. The total loss of property is not less than $300,000, without a dollar of cyclone insurance. The town is nearly ruined. The living are caring for the wounded as well as possible, and physicians from St. Paul, Minneapolis and Brainard are in attendance.

ST. PAUL, April 18.—The *Evening Dispatch* of yesterday has a special from St. Cloud which gives an accurate account of the killed and injured by the tornado as follows: St. Cloud—Killed, 21; injured, 80. Sauk Rapids—Killed, 37; injured, 100. Rice's Station—Killed, 12; injured, 21. Adjacent country—Killed, 3; injured, 12. Total killed, 73; injured, 213. The bodies of an unknown woman and infant were found to-day in the ruins of the buildings.

Pattison to Higbee.

HARRISBURG, April 15, '86.

Rev. E. E. Higbee, D. D., Superintendent of Public Instruction—*Sir*: In view of the recent disclosures of gross abuses, mismanagement and neglect in the Department of the Soldiers' Orphans' Schools, which have taken place during your incumbency as Superintendent, I deem it for the best interest of the State and of the schools that there should be a change in the official direction of that Department.

When you were appointed to your present office, last year, these abuses and this maladministration were unknown to me. Had I known them I would not have regarded your continuance in office as being for the public interest. The exposure of them proceeded from a private source, and was not the result of your official act. Indeed, you have certified in a letter to me, under date of March 6, 1886, that the charges were untrue and that the schools were properly managed. A thorough investigation has, on the other hand, convinced me of the existence of the abuses and evils alleged.

The circumstances appear to me to demand your resignation as Superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphans' Schools, and I therefore request that you will give me an oppoatunity to appoint to the head of that department some one who will assist me in the reorganization of the schools and their superintendence in a way more in accord with my views of duty and the requirements of the law, as to which we evidently so radically differ, and as to which harmonious views and action are of such importance for the well-being of the department.

Yours respectfully,
ROB'T E. PATTISON.

The Bishop of Madrid Shot at the Cathedral by One of His Clergy.

At 10:30 o'clock on last Sunday morning, while the Bishop of Madrid was ascending the steps leading to the entrance of the Cathedral, he was shot with a revolver by a priest standing at the top of the steps, the ball entering his abdomen. This was followed by another from the same source, which wounded the Bishop in the side, whereupon the wounded man fell upon the steps. The priest then descended the steps and fired still another shot, which took effect in the Bishop's thigh.

The assailant was then seized and his victim borne in an unconscious condition to a private chamber in the Cathedral, where the last sacraments for the dying were administered to him. Being Palm Sunday, the Cathedral was more than usually crowded by worshipers, and when the fearful work of the priest was realized a furious mob followed the carriage in which he was conveyed to prison by gend'armes, whose presence alone prevented a lynching. The motive for the crime was revenge. He was dismissed from the priesthood, and had fruitlessly applied to the Bishop to be reinstated. Queen Christina has inquired into the Bishop's condition, and the Pope has telegraphed his blessing. The Bishop died on Monday.

—Anna Belle Langan, of La Crosse, Wis., the 9-year-old girl who has been fasting for 47 days, and lively. She still has an abhorrence for food, and positively refuses to eat a mouthful. She even refuses to take the juice of oranges. She looks comparatively well, and weighs about 65 pounds. The doctor in attendance hopes to bring her through right. Hundreds of people visit the little faster, and some refuse to believe that she has gone without food for so long a time.

An End to Bone Scraping.

Edward Shepherd, of Harrisburg, Ill., says: Having received so much benefit from Electric Bitters, I feel it my duty to let suffering humanity know it. Have had a running sore on my leg for eight years; my doctors told me I would have to have the bone scraped or leg amputated. I used, instead, three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and my leg is now sound and well."

Electric Bitters are sold at fifty cents a bottle, and Bucklen's Arnica Salve at 25c. per box by E. James.

—The manufacture of lager in America only dates back about 40 years, but it has gone ahead and spread itself like the mustard seed in the parable. There are now about 2,200 breweries in this country, and they sold last year over 19,000,000 barrels of malt liquors. Of this, New York and Brooklyn contributed near a quarter. The next largest producers are Milwaukee, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, Boston and Newark, in the order named. An estimate of the capital invested in the trade would probably reach $150,000,000. Ninety-five per cent. of the brewers are Germans.

Protection from Malaria.

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—The sea occupies three fifths of the surface of the earth. At the depth of about 3,500 feet waves are not felt. The temperature is the same, varying only a trifle from the ice of the pole to the burning sun of the equator. A mile down the water has a pressure of over a ton to the square inch. If a box six feet deep were filled with seawater and allowed to evaporate under the sun, there would be two inches of salt left on the bottom. Taking the average depth of the ocean to be three miles, there would be a layer of pure salt 230 feet thick on the bed of the Atlantic. The water is colder at the bottom than at the surface.

A Word to Workers.

If your avocations are mentally or physically laborious, if they subject you to exposure in inclement weather, if they confine you to the desk, and are of a nature to involve wear and tear of the brain, and nervous strain, you may occasional require some renovating tonic. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the article for you, it stimulates the failing energies, invigorates the body and cheers the mind. It enables the system to throw off the debilitating effects of undue fatigue, gives renewed vigor to the organs of digestion, arouset the liver when inactive, which it very often is with people whose pursuits are sedentary, rehews the jaded appetite, and encourages healthful repose. Its ingredients are safe, and its credentials, which consist in the hearty endorsement of persons of every class of society, are most convincing. Admirably is it adapted to the medical wants of workers.

NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS.

—Apples were originally brought from the East by the Romans. The crab apple is indigenous to Great Britain.

—The authorities of Central Park, New York, are feeding the animals in the menagerie on horse meat exclusively.

—Captain Winship, Providence Police, suffered five years from kidney disease, was cured by Hunt's [Kidney and Liver] Remedy.

—A bed-stead, made to order by a Milwaukee firm, is 24 feet wide and has nine compartments, each intended to hold one of the purchaser's children.

—A boy living within sight of Plymouth Rock, Mass., weighs 304 pounds, though he is only 14 years old. He has grown at the rate of 50 pounds a year of late.

—The pupils of a Georgia school who went out on a strike against an obnoxious teacher, got so far as to nail up the school house door. Then their daddies took them in charge.

—A number of skeletons ploughed up on the Middleton farm, near Xenia, O., recently, are believed to be the remains of soldiers sent out to fight Indians in the latter part of the last century.

—The testimony of a woman before a Salt Lake court the other day in a polygamy case was in substance that "she didn't know whether her husband had another husband or not; it wasn't of sufficient importance to talk about."

—As a superb hair dressing and renovator Ayer's Hair Vigor is universally commended. It eradicates scurf and dandruff, cures all eruptions and itchings of the scalp, promotes the renewed growth of the hair, and surely prevents its fading or turning gray.

—The finest tiger in America, it is said, was received at the Philadelphia Zoological Gardens, Saturday. He is one of three cubs born in the Antwerp Garden 1882, and is not yet 4 years old. He is remarkably well developed for his age, weighing about 450 pounds. His head is enormous.

—The Queen of Sheba, who visited Solomon, brought with her 50 boys and 50 girls, all dressed in boys' apparel, for King Solomon to tell which were boys and which were girls. King Solomon sent for water for them to wash with; the girls washed to the elbow and the boys to the wrist.

—A novel affair in the way of an election came off last week in Effingham, Ill. Mrs Ada H. Kepley ran against her husband, Henry B. Kepley, and defeated him by 12 majority for School Director. The vote was large and spirited. It was the first instance of the kind on record in that state.

—James Houston, a well known resident of Morgantown, W. Va., is dying from a most peculiar cause. He has forty-two rifle bullets in his stomach. These bullets he has swallowed at different times as a cure for costiveness, and all attempts of physicians to remove them have proved futile.

—A cherry tree stood in the way of the Southern Pacific narrow guage railway extension that is being pushed at Almaden, and the owner asked about $900 for the tree. Experts were appoated, and he then showed that for years it yielded him crops, each of which sold for sums equivalent to the interest on the amount named. They finally agreed to award him $600, and the tree had to go.

—Fifty years ago the boys had a hard time of it. There were no furnaces in the house and few stoves, bedrooms as cold and colder than barns nowadays; warming pans for bed at night in constant use, as the bed-clothes were like two cakes of ice. Washing was done by first breaking the ice found in the pitchers over night. All the cooking was done by wood fires and the wood had to be cut by the boys.

—A Paris surgeon kindly set the limb of a friend's dog, and his patient, some weeks after, brought him another dog in the same plight. Dr. Barnum, of Louisville, reports a similar case. The patient was a black-and-tan terrier. It resisted the doctor to the utmost, but was finally subdued and bound up. Four days later he came alone to the office and had his bandages arranged. After that he appeared once each day, and held up his leg for examination.

—Two wealthy farmers, named Baringer and Kline, living near Youngstown, Ohio, have spent much time fighting each other in court. Wednesday week Baringer went to Kline's house and assaulted him with a knife. Kline's daughter got a board and belabored Baringer until he was disabled. She and her father tied Baringer with a rope to a tree, went before a justice and swore out warrant, keeping Baringer tied until he was arrested.

—A turtle story with more than an overpowering odor of fish comes from Moultrie county, Ill. August 29, 1842, William Garvin and his son, Lambert Garvin, caught a mud-turtle near Todd's Point, on the Okaw river. In sport they cut their initials "W. G." and "L. G.," upon its back, and then consigned it to the river. In 1872, 30 years later, T. J. Yorkley captured the same turtle, and added "T. J." to the inscription. Stranger still, last week it was again captured, alive and well. "Grover Cleveland" was cut in its tough canopy, and the animal again thrown into the river.

—A French woman working in the field was accustomed to leave her babe in a shady place to be watched over by a favorite dog—a bitch, the mother going occasionally to nurse the babe. It was discovered that at times the babe did not nurse with its accustomed avidility, which was accounted for, when the mother on coming up saw the dog standing over the babe which was suckling it. This was permitted to go on, and a wonderful tenderness was manifested by the dog for the child which was heartily reciprocated.

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ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that John Roehm, of Summerhill township, Cambria county, Pa., has made an assignment to the undersigned for the benefit of his creditors. Those indebted to him will please make payment without delay and those having claims against said Roehm are requested to present them for payment.

W. H. SMAY, Assignee.
Summerhill township, April 16, 1886. 3t.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Samuel Bates, of Ebensburg Borough, Cambria county, Pa., has made an assignment to the undersigned for the benefit of his creditors. Those indebted to him will please make payment without delay, and those having claims against said assignor will present them for payment.

WM. H. SECHLER, Assignee.
Ebensburg, Pa., April 16, 1886.—3t.

The Life Lesson

Learned by a Prominent Hudson Odd Fellow.

[*From the Hudson (N. Y.) Register.*]

Mr. John Elting, a faithful odd fellow (Past Grand, Lindenwald, No. 442) and a member of the Baptist Church, says: "I have been, as the most of my acquaintances in Hudson know, a sufferer from dyspepsia for ten years. Beginning with indigestion, sour stomach and flatulence, I became so weak that my body became a burden too heavy to carry, and my mind was weighted down with a gloomy despondency. After eating I felt as if I had a ball of glowing iron in my stomach; my abdomen would bloat and I was afflicted almost constantly with sick headache. A lady learning of my condition advised me to use DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY, telling me what an infinite deal of good it had done her and others whom she knew. I began taking it in the latter part of August, and used altogether only three bottles, when it achieved in me the most wonderful improvement. I have now gained in flesh and feel stronger, happier and better than I have in ten years. FAVORITE REMEDY cured my friend, R. F. Hermans, of Glent, of the lingering remains of malarial fever and of biliousness. Mr. Harvey Thomas, the grocer on Warren street, just below the Worth House, says that it has had wonderfully good effects upon him. Some of my acquaintances that having once tried it they would never again be without it. I have given it to my children, and found it to be the best medicine I have ever known for regulating their bowels and purifying their blood. The knowledge of this medicine I deem the greatest lesson of physical life."

A Battle and Its Victory.—"I carried the burden of dyspepsia about all my life," said Mrs. Pierce, a lady eighty years old, residing at Rochester, N. Y., until about three years ago, when I began taking Dr. Kennedy's 'Favorite Remedy'—of Rondout, you know—and it has given me more ambition and strength than I have had since I was young."

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FRIDAY, - - - APRIL 23, 1886.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Here, There and the Other Place.

—The rain on Thursday last settled the dust.

—Worked lumber of all kinds at Barker's planing mill.

—All kinds of seed, garden and field, for sale at Barkers'.

—The boys are doing a thriving business erecting suckers just now.

—Welcome oats for seed at Barkers'. Weigh 44 lbs. to the bushel.

—The Fifth Regiment will encamp at Cresson on the 18th of July.

—The Mountain House, at Cresson opens up for guests on June 26th.

—The wheat crop, although thin in some places, is beginning to look well.

—It will take an arbitration to settle the question as to who has caught the largest trout.

—Garfield potatoes, eight row yellow corn and welcome oats for sale by V. S. Barker & Bro.

—The Republicans of Indiana county will hold their primary election on the 22nd of May next.

—Mrs. Mary Howe, of Gallitzin, aged 63 years, died at her home in that place on Friday last.

—If you want flooring, siding, palings, surfaced lumber or shingles go to Barkers' planing mill.

—To Prof. Leech belongs the credit of sporting the first straw hat to be seen in the locality.

—Our farmers have taken advantage of the weather, and a great deal of plowing has been done during the past week.

—Twenty one years ago to day (Good Friday) John Wilkes Booth shot and killed Abraham Lincoln in Ford's theatre at Washington.

—Mr. Bert Cresswell has presented a fine picture of the Battle of Gettysburg to Mr. Leech, to be the property of the Ebensburg High School.

—The temperature is already calling for a change of clothing. Better wait to see Wood & Son's display from Johnstown before purchasing.

—Mr. Wm. Gable, one of Altoona's leading merchants, accompanied by his wife and little daughter, paid our town a short visit on Wednesday last.

—Mr. Amos Sulka, of Johnstown, writes us that he will be here on the 3d of next month with a complete line of spring clothing and furnishing goods.

—Every purchaser of clothing from Woolf & Son, Johnstown, has always good reason to be well satisfied. Their goods are at all times the most fashionable and their prices the lowest.

—A night school in Book Keeping and Penmanship, will be organized next week by Messrs. Leech and Bearer, in order to afford an opportunity to young men who cannot attend the day sessions.

—In the United States district court at Pittsburg, on Monday, a return of sales of certain land in the Twenty-ninth ward, Pittsburg, belonging to the estate of William M. Lloyd, was made, and the report confirmed nisi thereto.

—The Gallitzin coal miners have raised $50 for the relief of their striking brethren in other parts of the district, and expect to swell the amount to $1000. A lot of goods have also been shipped to Coalport, Osceola and Houtzdale.

—Owing to building, moving, etc., Mr. Bert Cresswell has been compelled to be absent from his place of business. He desires to state that from this time forward he will always be on hand to wait on those wanting anything in the furniture line.

—From this date until May 15th, the Lincoln Merchandise Co. will, in order to close stock, offer decided bargains in dry goods, ladies dress goods, men's, women's and children's shoes. It will be to the interest of buyers to call and inspect our stock.

—Mr. Adam Shettig desires it to be known that he will attend to the delivering of the Pure Blue Brand Fertilizer, at the station in Ebensburg, every Saturday between 9 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. If not at the station call at the livery stable of Messrs J. A. & T. B. O'Hara.

—It will not disappoint you. It is the best article known for purifying the blood and building up the health and strength. For 25 years erysipelas broke out in blotches on my face. I found no cure until I used Peters' Tonic two years ago. It is the medicine for me.—E. C. H.

—A circus always brings a crowd of people who want to see the elephant. One of the best shows for the least money is to visit the store of John Owens, on High street, where you can buy dry goods, dress goods, boots and shoes, groceries and provisions at the very lowest prices.

—A band of gypsies passed through our town in two squads, one on Saturday and the rear on Sunday, and encamped at the foot of Munson's hill, about three miles east of town. Some of our citizens had a bonanza in the way of horse trading for a few days and the gypsies pulled up stakes and left.

A "dog breaking" entertainment will be given at the Presbyterian church by the Catholic School on Wednesday evening of next week (21st), beginning at half past seven o'clock. The exercises will consist of singing and class exercises, interspersed with the breaking of the jugs. Admission for adults ten cents; children five cents. All are cordially invited.

—Rev. Father Walsh, on last Tuesday morning while saying mass at the Church of the Holy Name in this place, had an attack of vertigo and fell from the altar. A number of people who were in attendance went to his assistance and in a short time he sufficiently recovered to finish mass. He was considerably bruised by the fall but, we are glad to say, was not seriously hurt and will soon be about again.

—Mr. Alex. Parrish, the well known express messenger, was badly stricken with paralysis one day last week while on a visit to Gallitzin. He was removed to the residence of his mother in Munster township, where he has been in a critical condition ever since Friday last, having had another stroke. His right side and tongue are paralyzed and his recovery is looked upon as almost hopeless.

—As Conductor Jim Irwin's train, the Huntingdon Local, was on its regular trip to Altoona, a beautiful doe came up from the river, a few miles west of Petersburg, and ran for about a mile alongside the train until it reached Schuman's bridge, when it turned aside into the woods. The deer kept pace with the speed of the train, sometimes gaining a distance of twenty feet or more with apparent ease, and was gaining on the locomotive, when it discovered the bridge ahead and turned aside.—*Huntingdon News.*

—The Lilly correspondent of the Altoona Morning News says: On last Sunday Rev. Father Browne announced to his congregation that at the annual account there remained but two dollars and eighty five cents indebtedness against the congregation. This includes the church, the pastoral residence, cemetery on Conrad's hill, organ, stations of the Cross and various other articles.

To the ardent zeal and faithful work of Father Browne and his congregation, can this lovely state of affairs be attributed.

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Hemlock Items.

The street commissioner, with a force of men and boys, is at work on our streets.

The pupils of our public schools observed Arbor day by planting a number of trees.

The miners in this place shipped to their striking brethren in the Clearfield region a carload of provisions on Thursday of last week. The value of the goods shipped was about $300.

James M. Walters, Esq., of Johnstown, candidate for District Attorney, paid our town a visit on Thursday last, and saw a large number of our citizens. James is a clever fellow, and will receive a large vote here.

The cards of M. Fitzharris, of Gallitzin, and Capt. Wm. Linton, of Summit, are—unlike their prospects, we hope—promiscuously scattered about. C.

Ebensburg Normal School.

The Armory Building is now ready for the opening of the Normal School. The number already enrolled exceeds that of any previous term before the opening, and the outlook is very favorable for a large and successful school.

The students will meet in the hall on Monday afternoon at 2'oclock for enrollment, organization and classification.

The building will be open for the reception of students and for those who desire to secure their boarding places during the forenoon from 10 to 12 o'clock. We trust all will be present at the opening that there be no delay in the organization.

CO. SUP'T.

From St. Augustine.

We have beautiful summer weather at present; and our farmers are busily engaged in the farming pursuits.

Martin Ward, who spent several months at the residence of Rev. Father Ryan, is to be ordained a priest at St. Vincent's College, Westmoreland county, and will say his first mass at the Catholic church in this place on next Sunday.

Mr. John McVey, late of Iowa, will take charge of the school in this place for a term of several months.

Mr. James Caulley, of Doan township, departed for Altoona on Monday, where he intends attending school at Gregory's Business College. James is one of our brightest young men, and we wish him success.

Mr. Bradcliffe, who came here from Houtzdale, and took charge of the hotel in this place recently, is, we are pleased to say, a very generous and worthy gentleman.

Misses Annie and Lou Wilt are to be congratulated on having the nicest style of houseplants in Clearfield township. They are beauties indeed.

Some of the ladies have their gardens made, and many more are cleaning house.

Mr. E. R. Dunegan, of this place, had several sheep killed by dogs recently.

I noticed a great many persons from Altoona here on Sunday last, attending church.

Our schools are all now closed. V.

An Important Discovery.

The most important Discovery is that which brings the most good to the greatest number. Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, will preserve health and save life, and is a priceless boon to the afflicted. Not only does it positively cure Consumption, but Coughs, Colds Bronchitis, Asthma, Hoarseness, and all affections of the Throat, Chest, and Lungs, yield at once to its wonderful curative powers. If you doubt this, get a trial bottle free, at E James' Drug store.

Ballou's Magazine for May.

We have received the May number of this well known magazine. It gives the opening chapters of what seems to be an exceedingly interesting story by Theodore Arnold, entitled "After the Wedding," handsomely illustrated; together with a choice and varied selection of complete stories, sketches and poetry, by the best authors, Puzzle page, the Housekeeper, Humor, etc., all making a most entertaining, instructive and amusing table of contents for general family reading, clean, bright and sparkling in every respect. Subscription $1.50 a year, post paid. For sale by newsdealers, price fifteen cents. Published by G. W. Studley, 23 Hawley street, Boston, Mass.

GODEY'S LADY BOOK for May opens with a pretty engraving entitled "Returning Home." A quaint picture that causes a smile when we note the discomfort caused to the party by a day's picnicing in the woods. The serial "A Coronet of Thorns," by J. Pritchard, continues in interest. A bright story entitled "Hastings' Retreat," by Eppiremia Kaye, shows various glimpses of character well drawn up. The reader is anxious to see how it will end, the conclusion being promised in the next issue. Several good short stories appear in the book, among which are "Miss Denning's Episode" by R. C. Meyers, "Sister Ann," by Ira Churchill, "Mary's Wedding," by C. Leach, a memorial day poem by Mary P. Wheeler, and shorter poems by George Birdseye and others. The colored fashion plates give a faithful illustration of the new shades to be adopted for spring costumes; the numerous fashion pages giving plenty of designs for making up different fabrics for Easter wardrobes. A pretty colored work design for a tidy, after the popular Mikado, and numerous other illustrations, complete the number, which cannot fail to please the severest critic. Godey's improves as the year advances, and all who are not at present subscribers will do well to send and receive it to gladden their homes each month.

CURE FOR CROUP.—Use Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil according to directions. It is the best remedy for all sudden attacks of colds, pain and inflammation, and for injuries.

—The enervation and lassitude of spring time are indications of the sluggish action of the blood, overloaded with carbonates accumulated by the use of heating food in winter.

—Diseases of the kidneys, liver, or urinary organs, are speedily cured by the infallible Hunt's Kidney and Liver Remedy.

For fifteen years I was annoyed with severe pain in my head and discharges into my throat from catarrh. My sense of smell was much impaired. By the use of Ely's Cream Balm I have overcome these troubles.—J. B. Case, St. Dennis Hotel, New York.

It is now about five years since I first began selling Ely's Cream Balm, and from the time of its first introduction there has been a growing demand for it, and so far it has given very great satisfaction to my customers. I consider it a catarrh remedy of genuine merit.

—"We don't have to recommend Parker's Hair Balsam but once," writes Mr. C. A. Burger, druggist, of Liberty, N. Y. "After that it stands on its record." It stops falling hair, restores original color, softness and gloss. Exceptionally clean, prevents dandruff.

—We should have better preaching if the preachers were all sound and healthy men. Calvin may have had the dyspepsia, but it did him no good as a theologian. A Methodist minister, of Hartford, Conn., writes that Dr. Kennedy's "Favorite Remedy" cured him of chronic liver disease and indigestion. His brethern of all denominations are respectfully invited to note the facts. Sick preachers are in poor condition to proclaim the gospel news. Sound bodies are wanted.

MERCANTILE APPRAISEMENT

—OF—

CAMBRIA COUNTY,

FOR THE YEAR 1886.

VENDERS of Foreign and Domestic Merchandise, Distillers and Brewers, Brokers, &c., in Cambria county, will take notice that they have been appraised and classed by the undersigned Appraiser of Mercantile and other license tax for the year 1886, as follows, to wit:

CLASS.		TAX.
	ADAMS TOWNSHIP.	
14	Daniel Gohn	$7 00
14	J F Gohn	7 00
14	J K Stull	7 00
14	E S Grambling	7 00
14	George King	7 00
	ALLEGHENY TWP.	
14	C R & H Rimmelweright	7 00
14	W J Buck	7 00
	BARR TWP.	
14	Robert Glenn	7 00
13	Maloy and Lieb	10 00
	BLACKLICK TWP.	
14	Isaac Michael	7 50
	CAMBRIA BOR.	
14	Patrick Boyle	7 00
14	Thomas E Howe	7 00
14	P Green	7 00
14	William Gaffney	7 00
14	E A Sible	7 00
14	John Dowling	7 00
12	Joseph Sibbels	12 50
14	John Klotz & Son	7 00
14	Peter Sully	7 50
14	Martin Fisk	7 00
14	Bernard Garvey	7 00
14	Andrew Gilbert	7 00
14	Meyers Bros. & Newmat	7 00
	CARROLLTOWN BOR.	
13	P L Fox	10 00
14	J Binder	7 50
14	R F Mancher	7 00
13	J W Sharbaugh	10 00
14	Andrew Eckenrode	7 00
14	H C Shultz	7 00
14	F J Dellfrieb	7 00
14	J J Hauger & Bro	7 00
14	H B Dellhoff	7 00
14	C A & S H Buck	7 00
14	William Noel	7 50
	CHEST SPRINGS BOR.	
14	J Perry & Son	7 00
14	C D Wharton	7 00
14	Henry Mellon	7 00
	CLEARFIELD TWP.	
14	Thomas Dunphy	7 00
14	M A Dunegan	7 00
14	M A Pierson	7 50
	CONEMAUGH BOR.	
14	Conrad Gerhart	7 00
14	Joseph M Young	7 00
14	J H Clark	7 00
14	A Lahmyer	7 00
14	W Steigerwald	7 00
14	John Stormer	7 00
14	M D Jones	7 00
14	John Wildman	7 00
14	W B Tice	7 50
14	J J Strayer	7 00
14	J Hille & Son	7 00
	CROYLE TWP.	
13	J D Plummer	7 00
14	D A Barnett	7 00
13	John Brown	12 50
13	George H Stineman	10 00
12	J W Davis	10 00
12	Dixon & Sinnebringer	12 50
12	South Fork Supply Co	12 50
12	Bryan, George & Co	12 50
14	James Caruthers	7 00
	COOPERSDALE BOR.	
14	A E Somerville	7 00
13	Kimple & Sherman	10 00
14	D F Langey	7 00
	DEAN TWP.	
14	F R Shaff	7 50
	EAST CONEMAUGH BOR.	
14	Samuel Tibbett	7 00
14	P F Shaffer	7 00
14	Charles Pringle	7 00
14	E G Harvey	7 00
14	J B Kauffman	7 00
14	Samuel Kilpfeltter	7 00
	EBENSBURG BOR.	
14	Geo Gurley	7 00
14	G T Roberts	7 00
12	V S Barker	7 00
14	Jacob Thomas	7 00
14	E James	7 00
14	John Owens	7 00
12	Lloyd & Son	12 50
13	Geo Huntley	10 00
14	Edward Griffith	7 00
14	D E Evans	7 00
14	Carl Rivinius	7 00
14	E E Parish	7 00
14	J M Thompson	7 00
14	Thomas Griffith	10 00
12	A Stettinnattier	10 50
14	Davis & Bro	7 00
13	E Dutton & Son	10 00
14	Richard L Davis	7 00
14	T J Davidson	7 50
14	W E Shields	7 00
	ELDER TWP.	
14	Thos Git & Co	7 00
14	Francis E Farbaugh	7 00
	FRANKLIN BOR.	
12	Adams & Davis	12 50
14	G S Paul	7 00
14	Martin Carter	7 00
13	D W Colter	10 00
14	Peter Rubritz	7 00
14	Hutchison & Co	7 00
12	J Kelley & Co	12 50
	GALLITZIN BOR.	
14	J Yeckley	7 00
14	Wm Yeckley	7 00
14	Taylor & McCoy	7 00
14	Thos Bradley	7 00
14	Michael Bracken	7 00
14	S H Cuppett	7 00
14	F J Christy	7 00
14	A C Buck & Co	7 00
14	J Hengle	7 00
14	J J Troxell	7 00
14	John Ferguson	7 00
14	Monroe & Co	7 00
14	Charles Quinn	7 00
14	P J Mahon	7 00
	GRUBTOWN BOR.	
14	Jerome Bowman	7 00
	JACKSON TWP.	
14	David Simmons	7 50
14	James M Smith	7 50
	JOHNSTOWN BOR.	
14	Wm Straub Sr	7 00
14	John Ryan	10 00
14	David Greed	7 00
12	Miller & Lawrence	12 50
14	George Reiter	7 00
12	John Fenn	10 00
14	C Montverde	7 50
14	C J Litenburger	7 00
14	F W Hay	7 00
14	Alex Rock	7 00
14	J M Shumaker	10 00
14	Lewis Welsh	7 00
14	C Rimple	7 00
14	C Krieger	7 00
14	John Fritz	7 00
13	A Rowland	10 00
14	M S Malloy	7 00
14	F S Maloy	7 00
13	Wm Upplegrave	10 50
13	Geis & Shry	10 00
14	Hanlly and Frohnheiser	7 00
13	Geis Foster & Quinn	10 00
14	S & C A Horn	7 00
13	James J Murphy	10 00
13	C O Lohrer	10 00
14	H T Defrance	7 00
14	Y Lother	7 00
14	A Odlum	7 00
14	F W Kress	7 00
13	Geo Unverzagt	10 00
14	J W Stevenson	7 00
13	Davis & Walters	10 00
14	A Semple	7 00
14	T E Morgan	7 00
14	Geo Nighthanger	7 00
14	E L Edwards	7 00
14	Dunlap & Veteett	7 50
14	Kurtis & Co	7 00
14	S Struver	7 00
14	John W Owens	7 00
14	J M Hemlinger	7 00
12	Lewis Lauchheart	12 50
14	Geo Kiper & Co	7 00
14	J & C Gallagher	7 00
13	S Kitzman	12 50
14	Philip & Bros	10 50
14	C Oehl	7 00
12	John Stenger	12 50
14	A Nathan	10 00
14	Standard Store	7 00
12	Scott, Obert	12 50
14	Lewis Callen	10 00
14	Eldridge & Young	10 00
13	C F Frazier	10 50
14	Henry Prichard	7 00
14	Geo T Bell	7 00
14	D R Jones	7 00
14	E S Wilt	7 00
14	Wm Gwens	7 00
14	D R Baird	7 00
14	W R Huber	7 00
14	Charles Brown	7 00
14	Davis & Bros	7 00
14	T G Stewart	60 00
14	L Bonner	7 00
14	McMinn & Waters	7 50
13	J Q A Benshoff	10 00
14	A P Kinney	7 00
12	L Stargarger	12 50
13	Kramer & Bros	10 50
12	John Dibert	12 50
13	Charles Griffith	10 00
14	L M Woolf	30 00
13	E Zang	10 00
7	John Thomas	40 00
14	Ed E Rehmann	7 00
13	J Replogle	10 50
14	Nathan Ogilvy	7 00
10	Philadelphia Branch	15 00
14	John McManahan	7 50
14	B F Burkhart	7 00
13	John McDermott	10 50
14	Frank Thomasberger	7 00
11	Porter & Mitchell	15 00
14	C G Campbell	7 00
14	M Rohm	7 00
12	W S Weaver	12 50
14	W B Liverpool	7 00
12	W A Cromer	10 00
10	J Swank & Son	20 00
14	Wm Cladwell	7 00
13	Charles S Roth	10 00
13	Singer M F & Co	10 00
13	Plack & Bros	10 00
14	E T Schaff	7 00
13	G Bostorf	10 50
14	Henry Vieting	7 00
14	Geo Myers	7 00
14	Chas Lifler	7 00
12	Henderson & Alexandria	12 50
14	G Hoffman	7 00
13	E Goldenberger	10 00
14	J B Slater	7 00
13	Petriken & Berry	10 00
14	John M Taney	7 00
14	John Brady	7 50
14	H W Given	7 00
13	W W Pike	10 00
14	J S Ashbridge	7 00
14	L Lockhart	7 00
12	G W Moses	13 00
13	J D Edwards	10 00
13	Jolly Bros	10 00
13	Brinker Bros	10 00
13	Schrader & Greer	10 00
14	Charles Ludwig	7 50
14	John A McKinley	7 00
12	P A Colsaugh & Co	12 50
13	Lochler & Livergood	10 00
13	A W Blanck	10 00
14	Charles Hochstine	7 00
14	Wm Strauser Sr	7 00
14	McGarrity & Son	7 00
14	Brinker & Bros	7 00
14	Ringler & Schiffhauer	7 50
13	J C Confer	10 00
13	Thomas & Walters	10 00
14	Marshall & Weakland	12 50
14	Geo K Schrgrock	7 00
10	Latrobe Lumber & Broom Co	20 50
A	Wood Morrell & Co Limited	350 00
12	Barrick & McClelland	12 50
14	Conrad Widdersheim	7 00
14	Joseph Slick	7 00
14	Lashin & Co	7 00
12	Akers & Baumer	13 00
14	Davis & Walters	7 50
14	J H Decker	7 00
14	Wilcox & White Organ Co	7 50
14	John E Strayer	7 00
14	Cambria Iron Co	7 50
12	Colen & Marx	12 50
	LILLY BOR.	
14	John Conrad	7 00
14	Geo McIntosh	7 00
14	M A McGonigle	7 00
10	F C & C A George	7 50
14	Hughes & Co	7 50
14	John Leahey	7 00
14	Caron Tealley	7 00
14	F A Thompson	7 00
	LOWER YODER TWP.	
14	Peter Sally	7 50
14	Seight & Hill	7 00
14	H M Tomb & Bros	7 00
14	Z Miller	7 50
14	D E Mertz & Son	7 00
	LORETTO BOR.	
14	J E Shields	7 00
14	W W McAteer	7 00
14	M F McDonald	7 00
14	H F O'Friel	7 00
14	J Christy	7 50
14	Wm Litzinger	7 00
14	Loretto Mdse Co	7 00
	MILLVILLE BOR.	
14	Wm Stremel	7 00
14	W S O'Brian	7 00
14	H W Given	7 00
13	G W Stutzman & Son	10 00
14	Miles Buckley	7 50
14	Patrick Conley	7 00
14	Y L Jones	7 00
	MUNSTER TWP.	
14	H J Eberly	7 00
	PORTAGE TWP.	
14	J E Noel	7 00
14	Sylvester McKinzie	7 00
13	J C Martain & Co	10 00
14	W C Mulholland	7 50
14	Mrs M A Pringle	7 00
	PROSPECT BOR.	
14	Austin Neary	7 00
14	Patrick Fleming	7 50
	READE TWP.	
14	H Fisk	7 00
14	G T Glasgow	7 00
14	A McCartney	7 00
14	Max Frick	7 00
14	R L Bower	7 00
14	John McDonald	7 00
14	Gates Glasgow & Co	7 00
	RICHLAND TWP.	
14	Wm Trent	7 00
14	Geo Conrad	7 00
	SUMMIT BOR.	
14	John Eger	7 00
14	James Gillen	7 00
14	William McConnell	7 00
14	Albert Eckenrode	7 00
14	Mrs M Fritz	7 00
14	Mrs F Bender	7 00
	STONYCREEK TWP.	
13	Samuel Stayer	7 00
14	L W Buck	7 00
14	M J Cook	7 00
	TUNNEL HILL BOR.	
14	Dr Murphy	7 00
14	Mrs P Smith	7 00
14	Thomas E Plunkett	7 00
14	John J Kinney	7 50
14	G W Shiffler	7 00
	TAYLOR TWP.	
14	S P Morrell	7 00
	WASHINGTON TWP.	
14	Mrs John Leap	7 00
	WILMORE BOR.	
14	P F Kirby	7 00
14	A W Platner	7 00
14	P M Brown	7 00
14	J C Moorhead	7 50
14	John Smith	7 00
	WOODVALE BOR.	
14	S B Eldridge	7 00
13	W H Rosensteel & Son	10 00
	WHITE TWP.	
14	Fisk & Co	7 00

Retailers of Spiritnous Liquors as Assessed in Cambria County,

FOR THE YEAR 1886.

		License.
	ADAMS TWP.	
John Orris		$50 00
	ALLEGHENY TWP.	
Frederick Bast		50 00
	BARR TWP.	
E Gessler		50 00
	CAMBRIA BOR.	
Elizabeth Judge		50 00
Bridget Howe		50 00
Charles Boyle		50 00
John Waters		50 00
John Klotz		50 00
Patrick McLaughlin		50 00
Peter Fitzpatrick		50 00
Pat Boyle		50 00
Ignatius Fisher		50 00
Ed Hayes		50 00
Francis E Kelley		50 00
Peter Rath		50 00
Hugh McConnell		50 00
Henry Sally		50 00
Jacob Hartman		50 00
Frank Kurtz		50 00
John Lysett		50 00
David Burkhart		50 00
George Aigner		50 00
Jacob Schaffer		50 00
John Sheffauer		50 00
Michael Curley		50 00
Peter Toner		50 00
John E Fees		50 00
	CARROLLTOWN BOR.	
Lawrence Schroth		50 00
A H Haug		50 00
H A Englart		50 00
James Stoltz & Co		50 00
Ed L Binder		50 00
	CARROLL TWP.	
J A Begly		50
Thomas Weakland		50
	CHEST TWP.	
Joseph Rhody		50
	CHEST SPRINGS BOR.	
John Crouse		50
Mrs Mary A Hocoll		50
	CONEMAUGH BOR.	
P S Friedhoff		50
Earhart Mantzie		50
John Karr		50
George Held		50
John Gause		50
Philip Hertzinger		50
Frederick Bucher		50
John Karl		50
Charles Munzler		50
Ben Hist		50
Josiah Swank		50
Albert Lecky		50
Charles Hoffman		50
F Oscar Weather		50
Benedict Eger		50
Andrew Fitzsimmons		50
Unity Daly		50
Catherine A Sloan		50
Laura Lookey		50
Mrs Anna Ertist		50
Kate Walcher		50
	CROYLE TWP.	
Charles N Crouse		50
Peter Brown		50
John D Wenderoth		50
Henry Hartman		50
A J Skelly		50
James Mulheron		50
John Griffith		50
	DEAN TWP.	
Thomas Dumphy		50
Leonard Hollis		50
J J Rhody		50
	EAST CONEMAUGH BOR.	
John Furlong		50
Geo A Confer		50
Wm J Cannon		50
Margaret Kelly		50
	EBENSBURG BOR.	
John A Blair		50
P F Brown		50
J B Denny		50
John Bender		50
	ELDER TWP.	
Francis X Ott		50
Charles Endler		50
	FRANKLIN BOR.	
Peter Rubritz		50
	GALLITZIN BOR.	
Michael Fitzharris		50
Henry E Haug		50
Max Stehle		50
Arnold Lentz		50
Charles Dross		50
Joseph M Gunning		50
D E Burk		50
	GRUBTOWN BOR.	
Mrs Catherine Ream		50
John O C McIntyre		50
	JOHNSTOWN BOR.	
Daniel Lysett		50
Joseph Urouse		50
John Coad		50
Geo Kough		50
John Sheffauer		50
John Franke		50
Neal Sharkey		50
Philip Schultheis		50
Thomas Kinsey		50
Conrad Hoffman		50
Geo C Rash		50
John James		50
E H Willewer		50
Patrick O'Connell		50
John D Thomas		50
Robert Sagerson		50
Chas Zimmerson sr		50
Charles Oswald		50
Steven Quirk		50
Wm H Thompson		50
Mrs E Kost		50
John Morton		50
H Fritz and Chas Wess		50
John Fritz		50
John V Shaffer		50
Joseph Bolter		50
Joseph Kost		50
James J Mulligan		50
John J Hornick		50
Wm Thomas		50
Hugh Greenwood		50
Chas H Meaner		50
John McCann		50
Thos J Lewis		50
Eckhart Pfile		50
Fred W Hoffman		50
Henry H Thomas		50
William Shaffer		50
Andrew Ahler		50
John B Gerhart		50
	LILLY BOR.	
C Rabino		50
C A George		50
Margaret Helly		50
Geo Brant		50
John Metzgar		50
Edward Mulheron		50
Simon Ryon		50
	LOWER YODER TWP.	
Michael Conway		50
Francis Lacky		50
	LORETTO BOR.	
C F O'Donnell		50
Florian Bengell		50
A J Christy		50
	MILLVILLE BOR.	
Evan A James		50
Neal McAnany		50
Patrick Rodgers		50
Edward McLaughlin		50
Owen McCue sr		50
Andrew Winn		50
E J Vinton		50
Catherine Dowling		50
Thos McDermitt		50
John Hongan		50
James Daly		50
Michael Linch		50
Wm Marshall		50
James P Burns		50
Sarah Minahan		50
	PORTAGE TWP.	
Jesse McGough		50
	PROSPECT BOR.	
Thos Reilly		50
Mary Neary		50
	READE TWP.	
David Brookbank		50
James Lainge		50
W A Chaplin		50
	RICHLAND TWP.	
John Himes		50
John H Watkins		50
	SUMMIT BOR.	
John Byrne		50
John H Clark		50
J P O'Neil		50
W B Dunham		50
	SUSQUEHANNA TWP.	
Philip P Miller		50
	STONYCREEK TWP.	
C J Shaffer		50
Conrad Ream		50
	TUNNEL HILL BOR.	
Wm McGarvey		50
Catherine Fitzpatrick		50
Andrew Basil		50
Albert F Fick		50
Richard Byrne		50
	WASHINGTON TWP.	
Patrick Myers		50
Michael Donahoe		50
	WILMORE BOR.	
Joseph Horner		50
Conrad Wenderoth		50
	UPPER YODER TWP.	
John A O'Conner		50
Charles Hochstine		50

EATING HOUSE LICENSE.

Class		License
	CAMBRIA BOR.	
5	Martin Logan	$ 20
	CARROLLTOWN BOR.	
5	Frederick Eger	20
5	Mrs B A Bloom	20
5	John Stultz	20
	CLEARFIELD TWP.	
5	F S Burgson	20
	CONEMAUGH TWP.	
5	Lena Shaffer	20
	DEAN TWP.	
5	F D & Chas Burgson	20
	ELDER TWP.	
5	Jacob S Kilre	20
	GALLITZIN BOR.	
5	Andrew Gengler	20
5	Joseph Dashner	20
	JOHNSTOWN BOR.	
5	C J Schlable	20
5	E P Weir	20
	LILLY BOR.	
5	Theodore Sell

AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

Items Relating to Farm, Live Stock, Orchard, Garden and Lawn.

Beware of inferior seed; time lost by the use of such cannot be regained.

Wood ashes and plaster make an excellent fertilizer for all kinds of grass should be freely used.

Pigs farrowed now will make rapid growth, and will gain nearly as fast as those farrowed in the fall and wintered over.

Raspberries throw up a great many suckers, and these should be thinned out, leaving only three or four canes to the hill, so as to afford plenty of room.

President McCann, of the Elmira Farmer Club, suggests that cows subject to garget or other diseases of the udder should be sent to shambles instead of being used as breeders.

If you wish to raise a good crop of oats do not delay in getting the seed in. Oats delight in the plentiful rains of spring, and grow rapidly as soon as the ground begins to get warm.

Establishments for the manufacture of steel nails and nail plate are becoming more numerous in this country. These nails are produced more cheaply than iron nails, but their grip is not as great.

A correspondent of *Vick's Magazine* thinks white spruce superior to the Norway in hardiness and beauty. The Colorado blue spruce is suggested as one that will be widely planted when it is better known.

A Michigan inventor claims that after three years experimenting he can in his trap catch every larva that crawls up and on a tree and hold it there till it dies. He assures orchardists that they will find it a boon.

The first stalks of asparagus are raised by giving the plants plenty of room. Set rows four feet apart and three feet in the rows. Keep the land free from weeds and manure every year on the surface. The manure should be fine and well rotted.

Regardless economy of using ensilage, a Minnesota dairyman claims that he can steer a cow on six tons of it, and that the cost should not exceed forty cents a ton, or $2.40 for the winter. It can be produced in other locations as cheaply as he states.

To cure a cow of the habit of sucking herself, say to exchange, make a saturated tincture of powdered aloes and alcohol, keep in a mucilage bottle, tightly corked, and paint the end of each teat with the mixture, and the cow will soon become disgusted.

The barn of in winter is often a death trap to live stock. Pools of water, liquid and solid manure are allowed to freeze and thaw alternately, making a nasty, loathsome mass, through which the stock must wade in going to water.

Remedy this if you would have your stock healthy.

Very many the practices of farmers descend from one generation to another, and are continued as a sort of necessity. It has generally been considered almost a matter of necessity that cabbages, tomatoes and some other vegetables should be transplanted in order to secure the best results. The idea is being eradicated by results coming from a different source. Joseph Harris, the veteran farmer grows cabbage where the seed was planted; that is, he planted the seed in rows, and then thinned out as the plants were needed, to set in other places, leaving sufficient to grow in the rows and as a result, those left in the rows headed fully as well as those transplanted.

A recent bulletin of the New York experiment station, in discussing pressure in corn planing, says: "Oftentimes corn that is planted early is put in the ground while the land is in a lumpy condition, and no pressure is brought to bear to bring the soil in close contact with the corn. The open spaces thus left about the corn tend to retard, and under the varying conditions of heat and moisture often destroy the germination. So marked is its influence that the per cent. of germination by actual trial, as observed between two plats, both of which were planted at the same time, but upon the one the soil was pressed firmly upon the seed with the foot, and upon the other the corn was carefully covered with a hoe in the ordinary method, was largely in favor of the trodden plat. This trial was in accordance with a practical experience in farming, whereby it was found that the gain in crop by the use of a Western corn planter, whose wheel compressed the soil over the seed as planted, compensated largely for the additional first expense of the machine, so much that even it may be said that under conditions of the locality noted, a farmer could better afford to hinself plant his corn with a machine than accept the gift of the planting with toes."

There is not much that is new to be said as to how to get peas earliest. I know of no royal road. We can only plant and cultivate and wait. By assisting nature at the start, though, we can sometimes hurry her up a little. I have found two ways of doing this. One is to ridge the ground in the fall, before it freezes, to make it dry off earlier in the spring, and the other is to start the seeds before the ground is dry enough to be worked. The first needs no explanation. For the second I place my seed peas in moist sand, about the last week in March, and place the box in a warm place until the peas have formed sprouts about a half an inch long. Then, if the soil in the garden is not sufficiently dry for planting, I set the box in the cellar, covering it with a board if mice are troublesome, and leave it there until I can plant. I have left the sprouted seeds in this condition for a fortnight without any apparent harm resulting. When the ground is dry enough to plant, I pick the peas carefully out of the sand, place them in the drill about two inches apart, and cover them lightly with fine soil. I have gained as much as eight days in earliness by thus starting the seed beforehand, though the difference is usually not so much. The earliness may also be increased some by planting in a sheltered location, particularly in one that receives reflected heat from the sun, as the south of a building or a high, tight board fence.

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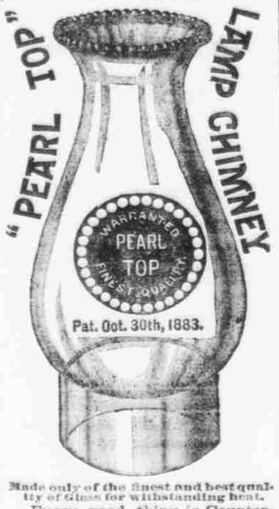

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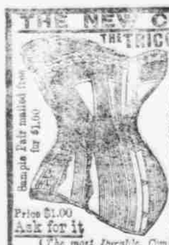

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OUR BOYS.

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We understand that among the young people of our borough the question is being seriously discussed as to what means can be devised whereby our young men can pleasurably spend their evenings in an air of refinement and morality.

This is certainly a most commendable agitation, and we hope that good results may follow. To the proposition that some kind of amusement must be provided there will be undoubted unanimity, but right there will, we presume, be found the point of divergence. What constitutes proper amusements has always been a subject for disagreement, and if our people of Montrose can solve the problem, they will have done wonders. To some, dancing parties at private houses would seem right and proper, but to others it would seem an abomination. The gathering of the young folks from time to time to indulge in games of whist, euchre, backgammon, etc., would to many be innocent and desirable, but the very idea would be repugnant to others. A reading room would be suggested in some quarters, and promptly pronounced too prosy by those who know the nature of boys. Even the old-fashioned kissing games would be frowned upon by some good people. So we might go through the whole list of amusements and there would be objections raised to any proposition which might be made. Bear in mind it is the average boy that is under discussion, not the naturally studious, pious and quiet boy. Boys must be taken just as they are, restless, active, fond of fun, and not kindly disposed toward prudery. A boy is a frisky animal, and boys will be boys, in spite of all. When you try to fit them to a procrustean bed of morals they will certainly kick and squirm and get away from you. Many persons who profess a deep interest in young men would accomplish much better results if they peddle fewer tracts, look less austere, get a little closer to the young and make themselves more agreeable.

If a young man wants to play a game of cards, it is far better that he should do so at home, or in a private house with young ladies, than to play in the dingy back room of a saloon. If the boys want to dance a little, and will be content to remain in the society of home if they can have a jolly time during the evening, it might be well to indulge them, if it keeps them from the saloon and off the streets.

If you are going to reach out and attempt to catch the boys, don't tempt them with the bait of a straight jacket or hum-drum nonsense, for they won't bite. Fish for them with live bait, something that is toothsome and pleasant, and your endeavors will be rewarded bountifully. Get the young people together, give them elbow room, don't repress the buoyancy of their spirits, and above all remember that you were once young, too.

Fatherly Advice.

Don't buy what you don't want.

Don't spend all of your salary whatever it is.

Don't scold children or servants if you want to get any thing out of them.

Don't think swearing will make the carpet fit the rooms in your new house.

Don't imagine the world wouldn't go on as usual if you slipped out of it to-day.

Don't cut up your heavy clothing for carpet rags; they may come handy next year.

Don't expect other people to take a joke in good part if you flare up at nothing.

Don't leave business altogether to clerks, or household affairs to servants.

Don't blame the maker if a number six glove goes to pieces on a number eight hand.

Don't try to suit all of your relatives when you name the baby; suit yourself and stop there.

Don't think the world will call you wise if you make a fool of yourself through the telephone.

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The poor child has the loose, wooden soled shoe with the upper of thick woolen material often worn by the poorer Germans. Her ankles are protected by woolen stockings only, bnt the coarse, long skirt comes almost to the shoes as she sits, and would quite reach them if she stood. Her head, shoulders and chest are wrapped in a warm shawl. If there is anything to choose as to judiciousness of clothing the advantage lies with the poor child. If her ankles were covered she would be evenly protected. The parent of the rich child have exposed the knee—a vulnerable point.

Uncle Ezek's Wisdom.

Most disputes can be settled by hearing both sides and believing neither.

To love applause is praiseworthy; to seek it weakness.

If ignorance is bliss, I am more convinced every day that there is a great deal of happiness in this world.

Superstition is the attach itself to and the last thing to release its hold upon a man.

The Devil goes for the busy, but the idle meet him half way.

Who ever heard of a miser who was anything else but a miser?

The days of miracles and martyrdoms are over; patent rights have taken the place of dead ones.

Any man who can show me a better book can have my Bible.

Second thoughts are always the best. Woman was an afterthought of creation.

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Business Maxims.

Don't cover too much ground.

Doh't waste vitality in overwork or worry.

It pays to sleep well, eat well and enjoy life.

Make plans ahead, but change them for good reason.

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